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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. One only

Part ~~B~~ A for July 1940.

SUBJECT.

Continuance of the Mysore Coffee Cess Act.

WD 0573—GPB—22,500—12-9-39

Serial No.

Continuance of the Mysore Coffee Cess Act.

× Act XIII of 1925 "A"

An Act to provide for the levy of a cess on Coffee lands in the Mysore State in order to maintain an Experimental Station or Stations for the investigation of diseases affecting the Coffee plant, and other problems relating to Coffee cultivation, was passed in October 1925, and it was directed that the Act shall be in operation for a period of five years with effect from the 14th October 1925. This period was later extended by a period of ten years ie until the fourteenth day of October 1940. The question of the further Continuance of the Coffee Cess Act has now to be taken up for Consideration. The question has perhaps to be decided very early as it involves the amendment of Act XIII of 1930 which, of course, requires sanction of the legislature. Further, a statement of Coffee holdings and the amount of cess payable thereon for the year 1940-41 will have to be prepared by the Village Accountant early in July or August 1940 and these will have to be scrutinised by the Amildar or Deputy Amildar thereafter.

× Section 10(c) of the Act "A"

Act XIII of 1930 "B"

× Ic 3256 | A+E. 25-1 dt. 14-11-25 "C"

2. The Director of Agriculture may be requested to examine the question in consultation with the Revenue Commissioner, the Deputy Commissioners of Kadur and Hassan Districts and if necessary, with the Coffee Advisory Committee, Balehonnur,

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Serial No.

OFFICE OF THE FIRST MEMBER OF COUNCIL
JAN 12 1940
No. 664-b

GENERAL SECRETARIAT
11 JAN. 1940
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and submit proposals so as to reach Govt not later than the 15th March 1940.

Submitted for orders.

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10/1/40 3 Con Sy)

4 2nd member) 5 P.C. 12-1 11/1/40
1st member)

11/1/40

6 Secy 12/1/40

13/1/40

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7 Draft submd.

5 13/1/40 15/1 8 For favour of perusal

15/1/40.

Chief Sy.) 9 Secy. Thanks.

15/1/40

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15 JAN. 15 GOVT OF MYSORE.

TYPING 16 JAN. 1940

AF 3581 & 17/1/40 To the Dir of Agri

States that the question of further continuance of the Mysore Coffee Lands Act may be examined in consultation with the R.C. or Asst Commr & Coffee Mr. and reasons in the Coffee Advisory Committee to whom may be sent by 5th March 1940

Secy B Tr 15/3/40

Serial No. 2

From the Director of Agriculture
No F. A. 237-1629/40 dt 15/3/40
Requests sanction for the continuance of the Coffee Cess Act for a further period of ten years.

11 The proposal of the Director to continue the Coffee Cess Act for a further period of 10 years from 14/10/40 to 14/10/1950 is for orders.

12 A draft bill is placed below for consideration

20/3 13 The proposal of the Director may perhaps be approved

Gen 5)
14
2nd member
1st member)
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21.3

16 Nil
25/3/40

17 Govt. This is a Council case.

27/3 18 Gen 5)

20 19)

GENERAL SECRETARY. 21 MAR 1940 5826
COUNCIL 21 MAR 1940 No. 8179
MAR 25 1940 No. 8752
GENERAL SECRETARY. 27 MAR 1940 5938
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Continuance of the Mysore Coffee Cess Act.

File No. of 194

General and Revenue Secretariat.

Serial No. C.402.

1 Noted and returned with thanks. The circulation is complete. D.F.N. may be put up.

General Secy.

with Compliments.

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GENERAL SECY.
30 MAR. 1940

Agri

D.F.N. is put up for approval

3/4

2 Please put up typed draft

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4 Typed draft is put up as desired

4/4

5 For favour of approval

5/4/40

GENERAL SEC
5 APR. 1940
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Dewan)

2nd Member)

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6 Please put up D.S.N.

11/4

7 D.S.N. is put up.

13/4

30 For favour of approval

13/4/40

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER OF COORG
6 APR 1940
No. 8715

7232

Subject.—

Continuance of the Mysore Coffee Cess Act.

3) The currency of the Mysore Coffee Cess Act, XIII of 1925, as amended by Act XIII of 1930, will expire on 14th October 1940. The necessity for the continuance of the said Act was considered by the Coffee Advisory Board at their meeting held on 6th December 1939 and a resolution was passed to the effect that Government be requested to continue the cess for a further period of ten years. The Director of Agriculture, in consultation with the Revenue Commissioner and the Deputy Commissioners of Kadur and Hassan Districts, recommends that the Coffee Cess Act may be continued for a further period of ten years from 14th October 1940. It is therefore proposed further to amend the Act with a view to give effect to the above recommendation. The Dewan and the First Member of Council have agreed to this. His Highness' gracious sanction is solicited to the proposed legislation.

M Venkatarama

SECOND MEMBER OF COUNCIL

Bangalore,
11th April 1940.

Submitted to His Highness.

I submit herewith a Final Note by the SECOND Member of Council on the subject of the continuance of the Mysore Coffee Cess Act,

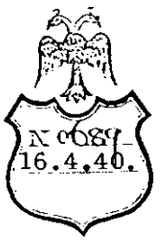
for His Highness' gracious approval.

Mirza M. Ismail

Dewan.

Camp Fernhill,
16th April 1940.

Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja.



Subject.

33 Continuance of the Mysore Coffee Cess Act.

No.692

23-4-40

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Order.

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General and Revenue
Secretariat.

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SUBJECT :—

Continuance of the Pr
Act.

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31. All urgent or confidential files returned with His Highness' orders may in the absence of instructions or indications to the contrary, be ordinarily circulated to the Members of Council for perusal after the issue of orders.

33. The Secretaries concerned should see that orders in the cases referred to above are issued at once and that the files are returned immediately after to the Chief Secretary for circulation to the Members.

34. In all other cases, the files will first be circulated to the Members of Council at Headquarters and then sent to the Secretariat concerned for the issue of orders.

35 Circulated to Members of Council for perusal of His Highness' orders before/after issue of orders. (*Vide* Rules 31, 33 and 34 of the Subsidiary Rules for the conduct of business of Council in the Manual of Council Rules and Procedure.)

Chief Secretary to Government.

36 Through the Secretary to Government,
General .....Department.

9971 / 29.4.40 37 FIRST MEMBER OF COUNCIL.

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9374 / 25.4.40 38 SECOND MEMBER OF COUNCIL.

27.4.40

39 Gen. Secy with Compliments.

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Continuance of the Mysore Coffee Cess Act

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Serial No.

110. The file may now be sent to the Protection Branch for take further action

29/4/40 — 30/4 — Asst to Britto W/c — 2/5

The Bill has been recast in more Pope form and is put up. The statement of general Principles to be placed before the R.A. is not available in the file and has to be prepared by the administrative Branch Concerned.

Details such as the no. of experimental Stations started, the amount of Cess received annually under the Act etc., are not available in the Depn. and could perhaps be incorporated in the Statement with advantage. If approved, the administrative Br. will be requested to put up a Statement giving with, if possible, the details mentioned above.

2/5/40. — 2/5 — Asst Secy A-d 2 under compliance — 2/5

Subd for orders. There is only an Coffee Experimental Station in the State of a bare Statement of Objects & reason is put up as at flag O below. Perhaps it may not be sufficient. If it is considered desirable to incorporate some interesting details as to its working, information will have to be called for. A draft is put up for approval or other orders

2.10.40

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Continuance of the Mysore Coffee Cess Act

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General and Revenue Secretariat

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Subd - There is only one coffee Expt[l] Station at Balehonnur & Govt are according to the coffee cess act contributing a sum equivalent to the not less than the amount of the cess levied or leviable every year. This amount is varying from Rs 16000 to 18000/-. It is for orders if further info[n] has to be called for from the Dir.

Hbb 6/5/40. If appd, the statement of objects & Reasons will be typed. This may also be adopted as the general principles of the bill for being placed before the R. A.

Hbb 6/5

For favour of appd

6/5

(Com Sy)

OFFICE OF THE FIRST DRAWER OF COURT
MAY 9 1940
No. 10487

GENERAL SECRETARY
6 MAY 1940
6926

Please put up clean copy as revised — Flag O.

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TYPING SEC
7 MAY 1940

Typed copy as revised is put up — Flag O.

HBB 7/5

8/5

(Com Sy)

For appl.

(1st member)

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GENERAL SECRETARY
6984

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119 pC Ordinance Coffee Cess Act

D.1782/RA 3736

General and Revenue Secretariat | Agri File No. 155 of 1939. | [App. F. III-2

Serial No.

OFFICE OF THE FIRST REVISER OF STATUTES
MAY 25 1940
No. 11067

It is for orders if this file may be now sent to the RA Branches pvt Br

10/5/40 pvt Br)

Yes 10/5

Noted 10/5

Copies of the Statement of General Principles with if approved be sent to the RA Office for further action.

Sd 10/5/40.

Yes Noted 11/5

(The R. A. & L. C. Officer)

3 copies taken & the file returned

JAS 11.5.40

(for Section Branch)

The Statement of General Principles will be placed before the R. A. in June. The Bill has to be introduced in the L.C. in Jan submitted for orders if the Bill and the Statement of Objects and Reasons may be published under rule 8 of the Rules of Business for the L.C. The Statement of General Principles, if approved, be taken as the Statement of Objects and Reasons.

Sd 24.5.40.

The statement of general principle may be taken as the statement of objects and reasons, and the bill published under rule 8 of the Rules of Business for the L.C.

Noted 24/5

Law Secy)

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I Member) & Dewan.

May be submitted to the second Member who is in

Hon 2. 24/5 Noted

Continuance of the Mysore Coffee Cess Act

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

Serial No.

II Member)

Hm 2 27/5/40

Ltl 27.5.40

OFFICE OF THE SECOND MEMBER OF GOVT.
27 MAY 1940
A 332

(Secretary)

Hm 2 28/5/40 JMW 28/5

Hm 2 29/5 JMW 29/5

L.C. Office with 3 copies each of Bill and St. of Objects & Reasons

29/5/40.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
30 MAY 1940
REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY

Copies taken.

30/5/40. Printing Branch)

Placed before the RA on the 7th June 1940 and passed by that Body

Submitted for orders if the following motion may be asked to be included in the Agenda of the ensuing L.C. session

1. Motion that the Bill published under rule 8 of the Rules of Business be read in Council.

Mover. 2nd Member

Secretary: General Secretary

Mysore Coffee Cess (amendment) Bill

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2. Motion that the Rule of Business and Standing orders be suspended and the Bill taken into Consideration at once without reference to a Select Committee

Mover ... Minister.

Seconder ... General Secretary.

3. Motion that the Bill be passed

Mover ... 2nd Member

Seconder ... General Secretary

OFFICE OF THE FIRST MEMBER OF COUNCIL
JUN 11 1940
No. 11833

Ore 10/6/40. These motions may be inserted in the agenda of the L.C.

JNW 10/6

Law Secy)

I Member) Hm 2 10/6. JNW 10

NLL 11/6/40

Hm 2 11/6/40

JNW 12/6

L.C. Office to note the necessity for inclusion in the Agenda and return the file

Ore 13.6.40. Noted and returned

Protection Branch)

BNN 19-6-40.

JNW

The Bill was introduced in the L.C. on 24th January 1940 and was passed by it at one sitting after suspending

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Coffee Cess (amendment) Bill

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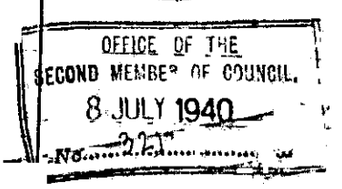
Serial No.

Rules of business and Standing orders.

A D-7N is submitted for orders.

JMRW 6/7

Law Secy)



D.7.N. submitted

II Member)

Hm
6/7/40

JMRW 8/7

9.7.40

S.N. submitted

Dewan)

Hm
11/7/40

JMRW 11/7

Final Note by the Second Member of Council.

Subject.— Promulgation of Mysore Coffee Cess (Amendment) Bill.

On 19th April, 1940, gracious sanction of His Highness was accorded to amend the Mysore Coffee Cess Act, 1925, in order to continue the said Act for a period of 10 years from 14th October 1940.

The general principles of a Bill were placed before the Representative Assembly in June 1940 and approved by it. The Bill itself was thereafter introduced in the Legislative Council and passed by it at one sitting after suspending the Rules of Business and Standing Orders.

I now solicit the gracious sanction of His Highness for promulgating the Bill into law.

M. Clarke Tancred

SECOND MEMBER OF COUNCIL.

Bangalore,
10th July 1940.

Submitted to His Highness.

I submit herewith a Final Note by the Second *Member of Council on the subject of* the promulgation of Mysore Coffee Cess (Amendment) Bill into law

for His Highness' gracious approval.

Mirza M. Ismail

Dewan.

Bangalore,
12th July 1940.

Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja.

Subject.

Promulgation of the Mysore Coffee Cess (Amendment) Bill into law.

Chief Sec
12-7-40

No. 37

Order.

~~KRW~~
15/7/40

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N.S.16.

General and Revenue
Secretariat.

SUBJECT:—

Promulgation of the Ryots Coffee Cess (Amendment) Bill into Law.

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Circulated to Members of Council for perusal of His Highness' orders before/after issue of orders. (*Vide* *Rules 31, 33 and 34 of the Subsidiary Rules for the conduct of business of Council in the Manual of Council Rules and Procedure.)

Chief Secretary to Government.

Through the Secretary to Government,

....Law.....Department.

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15/7/40

FIRST MEMBER OF COUNCIL.

22/7/40

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19.7.40

SECOND MEMBER OF COUNCIL.

Law. Secy. with Compliments.

22-7-40

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22/7/40

Mysore Coffee Cess (Amendment) Act 1940 4159

General and Revenue Secretariat | Legs File No. 9 of 1940. [App. E. III-2

Serial No.

The previous assent of His Highness was awaited on the 15th Aug 1940 to promulgate the Bill into law

Submitted with a draft G.O directing publication of the Act as Act XXIV of 1940.

DRC 23/7/40 HM (Law Secy).

JMCV 23/7

HM 2 23/7

Issued JMCV 24/7

Issued GO 1543 Legs 40-1 dated 24 Aug 40 directing publication of the Act as XXIV of 1940

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GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

General and Revenue Secretariat

No. A 73584
Agri 155-39-1

Dated, Bangalore, ~~16th January 1940~~ 17th

From

The General Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

To

The Director of Agriculture in Mysore,

Bangalore.

Sir,

I am directed to invite reference to Section 1 (c) of the Mysore Coffee Cess Act, XIII of 1925, as amended by Act XIII of 1930, extending the period of its operation until the 14th October 1940, and to request you to kindly examine the question of the further continuance of the Act with modifications if any in consultation with the Revenue Commissioner in Mysore, the Deputy Commissioners of Kadur and Hassan Districts and if necessary, with the Coffee Advisory Committee, Balehonnur, and submit formal proposals so as to reach Government not later than the 15th March 1940.

The matter may be treated as very urgent.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Sd. J. Appaji Gowda,

General Secretary to Government.

R.D.R.S. Memo No A 73585-7 Dated, 16th 17th Jany. 1940.

Copy of the above, is forwarded, with compliments,

to D. C. R.C. & D.C. Hassan

By Order,

16/1/40

For General Secretary to Government.

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SUBJECT.....

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Section : Agr.

File No. 155 - 39

Serial No. 1

No. A 73584

Diary No. of letter replied to.....

To

The Director of Agriculture
in Mysore

General and Revenue Secretariat

( )

the *193*

Date of issue 17-1-40

Signed by Mr. G. Malleaux

Sir,

I am directed to invite reference to Section 1 (c) of the Mysore Coffee Cess Act, XIII of 1925, as amended by Act XIII of 1930, extending the period ~~of~~ of its operation until the 14th October 1940, and to request you to kindly examine the question of the further continuance of the Act, in consultation with the Revenue Commissioner Mysore, the Deputy Commissioners of Kadur Hassan and Shimoga and, if necessary, with the Coffee Advisory Committee, Balehonnur, and submit formal proposals (with modifications if any) so as to reach Govt not later than the 15th March 1940.

The matter may be treated as very urgent.

I have the

List of enclosures.....

Copied by

Examined by

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Copies to 1) the Rs

2) the Dc of Haryana Kaithal Districts

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Telegraphic Address:
"Agri., Bangalore."

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

MYSORE STATE.

NO.F.A.237-1629-40. E-1.

THE DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE,

Bangalore. 15th March,.....1940.

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GEN. & REV. SECTT.
* 18 MAR 1940

FROM

T. G. RAMA IYER, ESQ., B.A.,
DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE IN MYSORE,
BANGALORE.

To

J. Appaji Gowda, Esq., B.A.(Hons.),
General Secretary to the Government of
H.H. the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore.

GENERAL SECRETARY.
18 MAR. 1940

Agri Sir.

Re: continuance of the Coffee Cess.

With reference to your letter No.A.F.3584/Agri.155-39-1 date 17-1-1940 on the above subject, I have the honour to state that t currency of the Coffee Cess Act will expire on 14-10-1940 as per Notification No.P.702-Legis.68-29-2 dated 4-8-1930. The continua of the Coffee acreage Cess was considered by the Coffee Advisory Board in their meeting held on 6-12-39 and a resolution passed that Government may be requested to continue the cess for a further period of ten years - vide copy of resolution herewith enclosed for perusal. The Revenue Commissioner in Mysore, Bangalore, who was consulted in the matter opines that this question may be taken up after Government orders are passed on the recommendation of the Committee on assistance to the Planting Industry. The Deputy Commissioners of Kadur and Hassan Districts who were also consulted in the matter state that the levy of the cess may be continued for a further period of ten years from 14-10-40 as recommended by the Coffee Advisory Committee and that no modifications are necessary in the present Act. In these circumstances, I request you to kindly obtain and communicate very early orders of Government for the continuance of the Act for a further period of ten years.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Director of Agriculture.

Proceedings of the meeting of the Coffee Advisory Committee held on the Coffee Experiment Station, Balehonnur, on 6th December '39.

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(4) Subject- "Continuance of the Coffee Cess"

The Chairman explained that the Coffee Cess Act would cease by the middle of next year and that as funds were necessary to carry on the experiments which had now reached a fruitful stage, it was resolved that Government be requested to continue the Coffee Acreage Cess of 2 annas per acre for another 10 years to continue the very useful and important work in progress on the Station.

" Extract".

Director of Agriculture.

NOTIFICATION.

No. P. 702—*Legis.* 68-29-2, *dated 4th August* 1930.

Ordered that the accompanying Regulation to amend the Mysore Coffee Cess Regulation, 1925, which received the assent of His Highness the Maharaja, on the fourteenth day of July 1930, be published as Regulation No. XIII of 1930, in the *Mysore Gazette* for general information.

By Order,
P. MAHADEVAYYA,
Secretary to Government,
Law Department.

REGULATION XIII OF 1930.

(Received the assent of His Highness the Maharaja on the 14th day of July 1930.)

A Regulation to amend the Mysore Coffee Cess Regulation, XIII of 1925.

Whereas it is necessary to provide for the continuance of the Mysore Coffee Cess Regulation, 1925, for a further period of ten years and to amend the said Regulation accordingly; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

1. In sub-section (*c*) of section 1 of the said Regulation, for the words "for a period of five years thereafter" the words "until the fourteenth day of October one thousand nine hundred and forty" shall be substituted.

MIRZA M. ISMAIL,
Dewan

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REGULATION No. XIII OF 1925.

(RECEIVED THE ASSENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA ON THE FOURTEENTH DAY OF OCTOBER 1925.)

A REGULATION TO PROVIDE FOR THE LEVY OF COFFEE CESS IN THE MYSORE STATE.

Preamble. Whereas it is necessary to provide for the levy of a cess on coffee lands in the Mysore State in order to maintain an Experimental Station or Stations for the investigation of diseases affecting the coffee plant, and other problems relating to coffee cultivation, His Highness the Maharaja is pleased to enact as follows :—

Title, extent and commencement. 1. (*a*) This Regulation shall be called the "*Mysore Coffee Cess Regulation.*"

(*b*) It shall extend to the whole of Mysore.

(*c*) It shall come into force from the date of the passing of the bill and shall be in operation for a period of five years thereafter.

Definition. 2. In this Regulation, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context, "Coffee lands" mean all occupied lands classed as coffee lands by the Revenue Survey Department.

3. Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, levy a cess of two annas per acre on all coffee lands and may, by a similar notification, abolish the levy, provided that no cess shall be levied upon a holding which is less than fifteen acres in extent.

4. Government shall, for the maintenance of the Experimental Station or Stations provide every year a sum not less than the amount of the cess levied or leviable under Section 3 of this Regulation.

5. The Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, make rules for the purposes of this Regulation for the collection as well as administration of the Coffee Cess.

A. R. BANERJI,
Dewan.

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

(*Continuation sheet draft form.*)

Draft Bill

An Act to further amend the Nigeria Coffee Ces Act No XIII of 1925 (as amended by Act No XIV of 1930)

Whereas it is necessary to provide for the continuance of the Nigeria Coffee Ces Act, 1925 & (as amended by Act XIII of 1930), for a further period of ten years and to amend the said Act accordingly; It is hereby enacted as follows:-

1. The sub-section (c) of Section 1 of the said Act, for the words "until the fourteenth day of October one thousand nine hundred and forty-four" the

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words "until the fourteenth
day of October one thousand
nine hundred and fifty-"
should be substituted.

Statement of Objects and reasons.

A Bill to amend the Mysore Coffee Cess Act, XIII of 1925.

An Act to provide for the levy of a cess on coffee lands in the Mysore State in order to maintain an Experimental station or stations for the investigation of diseases affecting the coffee plant was first passed in 1925. (Act XIII of 1925). It came into force on 14th October 1925, and was to operate for five years Subsequently, in 1930, the Act was amended so as to extend the period of operation for another ten years,- till 14th October 1940 (Act XIII of 1930). This period is to expire in a few months and it is considered desirable to continue the cess for another period as the experiments that are being conducted at the Coffee Experimental Station at Balehonnur have reached a fruitful stage. According to the provisions of the above Act, Government are contributing a sum not less than the amount of the cess levied or leviable every year for the maintenance of the station. This amount varies between Rs. 10,000 and Rs. 15,000 per year. It is proposed to extend the period of operation of the Act for a further period of ten years from 14th October 1940. Hence this bill.

BILL FURTHER TO AMEND THE MYSORE COFFEE CESS ACT, 1925.

Statement of General Principles.

An Act to provide for the levy of a cess on coffee lands in the Mysore State in order to maintain an Experimental Station or Stations for the investigation of diseases affecting the coffee plant was first passed in 1925 (Act XIII of 1925). It came into force on 14th October 1925, and was to operate for five years. Subsequently, in 1930, the Act was amended so as to extend the period of operation for another ten years,- till 14th October 1940.(Act XIII of 1930). This period is to expire in a few months and it is considered desirable to continue the cess for another period as the experiments that are being conducted at the coffee Experimental Station at Balehonnur have reached a fruitful stage. According to the provisions of the above Act, Government are contributing a sum not less than the amount of cess levied or leviable every year for the maintenance of the Station. This amount varies between ₹16,000 and ₹18,000 per year. It is proposed to extend the period of operation of the Act for a further period of ten years from 14th October 1940. Hence this Bill.

BILL FURTHER TO AMEND THE MYSORE COFFEE CESS ACT, 1925.

WHEREAS it is necessary to provide for the continuance of the Mysore Coffee Cess Act,1925, for a further period of ten years and to amend the said Act accordingly;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

Short title.

This Act may be called the Mysore Coffee Cess (amendment) Act,19

Amendment of section 1 Act XIII of 1925.

2. In sub-section (c) of section 1 of the Mysore Coffee Cess Act,1925, for the words "One thousand nine hundred and forty" the words "one thousand nine hundred and fifty" shall be substituted.

THE MYSORE COFFEE CESS (Amendment) BILL.

I beg to move that the Mysore Coffee Cess (Amendment) Bill, published under rule 8 of the Rules of Business, be read in Council.

2. An Act to provide for the levy of cess on coffee lands in the Mysore State in order to maintain an Experimental Station or Stations for the investigation of diseases affecting coffee plant was first passed in 1925 (Act XIII of 1925). It came into force on 14th October 1925, and was to operate for five years. Subsequently, in 1930, the Act was amended so as to extend the period of operation for another ten years till 14th October 1940 (Act XIII of 1930). This period is to expire in a few months and it is considered desirable to continue the cess for another period as the experiments that are being conducted at the Coffee Experimental Station at Balehonnur have reached a fruitful stage. According to the provisions of the above Act, Government are contributing a sum not less than the amount of cess levied or leviable every year for the maintenance of the Station. This amount varies between Rs 16,000/- and Rs 18,000/- per year. It is proposed to extend the period of operation of the Act for a further period of ten years from 14th October 1940. Hence this Bill.

3. The Balehonnur Experimental Farm which was established soon after the original Coffee Cess Act was passed has done very valuable work. Several planters who are members of the Representative Assembly paid handsome tributes to the Department of Agriculture for the excellent work done at the Farm. Not only were the diseases affecting the Coffee plant studied and remedial measures discovered

but much useful work was done with a view to find out the suitability of various and existing methods of combating diseases. The Arabic Coffee plant is liable to the borer-pest but Robusta is not. A new variety has been evolved by grafting the two together and this is free from the liability to the borer-pest. The necessity for the continuance of the Act was considered by the Coffee Advisory Board in December 1939 and a resolution was passed that Government be requested to continue the Cess for a further period of ten years.

3. The general principles of the Bill were placed before the Representative Assembly and accepted by that Body. I am sure this House will also give it its fullest support.

Mr. MIR MOHAMMED opposed the bill on two grounds, viz., (1) that there was no justification for continuing the cess for any further period in view of the fact that of late the price of coffee had gone down considerably and coffee planters were sustaining heavy losses; and (2) that as no special cess was being levied in respect of experiments conducted with regard to ragi, sugar-cane or other crops, the levy of a cess only in respect of coffee would savour of an invidious distinction.

Mr. SHANMUKHIAH also opposed the bill as unnecessary. There were good rains during the current year and consequently, there was no fear of borer pest for the present. Even if the pest

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made its appearance in future, he said that Government themselves should meet the cost of combating it as they were doing in the case of other crops like ragi, etc.

In endorsing the above views, Mr.K. LAKSHMINARAYANA RAO pointed out that though an Entomologist had been employed to investigate the diseases affecting sugar-cane, no cess was being levied from sugar-cane growers. On the same analogy, he said that another Entomologist might be appointed, the cost being borne by the Government and the existing coffee-cess being done away with.

Mr. ALFRED MIDDLETON observed that the Coffee Experimental Station at Balehonnur was doing very good work by way of preventing the spread of borer infection. Though it was not yet possible to root out the disease, there was every hope of the farm proving its usefulness within the next 10 or 20 years. When that happy day arrived, the coffee planters would realise that all they had paid in the shape of coffee cess was more than repaid to them. At present, a lot of money was being spent by coffee planters on spraying and the few annas paid to Government by way of cess was but an infinitesimal part of that expenditure. And when the Experimental Farm discovered a means of successfully combating the borer pest, the entire expenditure on spraying could be saved. In that view, he supported the bill providing for the continuance of the cess for some more time.

Mr.KRISHNA RAO GANESH RAO GURJAR also supported the bill.

Mr. Gomkal CHANNABASAVE GOWDA opposed the bill on the ground that the continuance of the cess would work as a hardship on the poorer planters who were already baffled by the slump in the coffee market.

Sreemathi SAKAMMA expressed whole-hearted support to the bill and appealed to all planter-members of the House to do likewise. She explained how there was bitter opposition from planters when the cess was first proposed, how they had subsequently realized their mistake and come to appreciate the excellent work that was being done by the Balehonnur farm with the aid of realizations from the cess supplemented by an equal amount of subsidy from Government. The planters were now thankful to the farm for having found remedies for several diseases infesting the coffee crop. Similarly, they were hesitating at first to use foreign manures and salts, not knowing their chemical value. But now as a result of demonstrations codducted by the farm, the value of chemical manures had also come to be realized. It was thus clear that the 2 annas which planters paid in the form of cess was nothing when compared to the benefits derived by planters. The Agricultural Department of Mysore had 40 to 50 years' experience in scientific research and suggestions offered by them had been found to be very valuable. These would not have been available to the planters in the absence of the Experimental Farm. There was plenty of scope for further scientific research and that could be carried on only by an organization manned by experts. Such an organization was the Balehonnur farm, designed to help the planters more than the Government. Hence it would be in the interests of the planters themselves if the cess was kept on and

the farm enabled to pursue its good work without interruption. Otherwise, she was afraid that coffee cultivation in Mysore would have to face serious problems, risks and losses.

Mr. Bhupalam R. CHANDRASEKHARAYYA pointed out that the Agricultural Department had established several experimental farms in the State. As a result of their work, the income of the agriculturists had almost doubled. He therefore felt that it was the duty of coffee planters to contribute, if possible, more liberally in future than in the past, towards the maintenance of the Balehonnur Farm which was devoting all its attention to saving and developing the coffee industry.

The DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE (Mr.T.G. Rama Iyer) speaking on behalf of Government, said that he was somewhat surprised that some of the members did not seem to appreciate the work that was being done on the Balehonnur experimental farm. He also wondered how anybody could be blamed if persons interested in coffee cultivation did not acquaint themselves with what was being done there. For the information of such persons, he explained that one of the most common pest attacking coffee was the "leaf disease" or Hemelia which had completely ruined the Arabica variety of coffee in Ceylon. The extent to which planters in Mysore had benefited by the work of the Balehonnur farm would become apparent from the fact that when the farm was started in 1923 only 100 acres of coffee lands could be sprayed with the materials then available, whereas at present, the extent that was being sprayed had increased to 20,000 acres. The Department had obtained valuable information about the methods adopted elsewhere for combating coffee diseases and applied them

o Mysore. Investigations made by the farm had resulted n reducing the proportion of certain ingredients of hat was known as the Bordeaux mixture which was employed n combating the fungus disease. Thereby about Rs.6,000/- as being saved for the planters every year.

Proceeding, Mr. T.G. RAMA IYER explained that here was every hope that remedies for several other ests affecting the coffee crop would be discovered within he next 10 years for which period the Cess sought to ontinue the cess. New varieties of seedlings which ere of a very superior quality but which were not susceptible to common pests were being grown and distributed mong the planters. Such seedlings had been supplied to to 18 coffee planters during the previous year and the Department had heard from those planters that the seedlings were exceedingly satisfactory.

The speaker added that the farm was making strenuous efforts to combat the borer-pest also. It was found that this pest affected only Arabica coffee and not Robusta coffee. So an experiment of grafting the tender stumps of these two varieties and evolving a new variety had been tried and a disease-resisting and superior quality was evolved. This experiment was very promising. Again, a process of stem-washing had been found out and this was an additional method of preventing the spread of the borer-pest.

Other directions in which useful work was being done by the farm related to manuring--when it should be used and in what proportion--the nature of the soil favourable to coffee, etc. If the full benefits of all these experiments should be derived, it was essential to continue the work for another 10 years.

As regards the plea that the planters were affected

by the slump in coffee trade and further levy of the cess would work as a hardship, the Director explained that the rate of assessment on coffee lands in Mysore compared very favourably with that obtaining in other parts of the country. It was only 1 1/8th of a rupee per acre in Mysore as against Rs.2/- in Madras and Rs.5 to Rs.10/- in Coorg. Thus a cess of 2 annas could by no means be characterized as heavy or unjust.

With regard to the non-levy of a cess in the case of ragi, etc., referred to by one of themembers, stated that nowhere in the world was a cess levied for carrying on experiments connected with staple crops. Cesses were levied only in connection with articles of luxury like rubber, cotton, tea, etc. and the cost of all experiments relating to them was being met from the respective cess collections.

The general principles of the bill were thereupon put to vote and accepted by the House.

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